

Remarks

The second paragraph on the final page in the Supplemental Amendment After Final filed January 6, 2010 contained an obvious error. The word "not" was missing from line 4 of said paragraph. The paragraph should read as follows (the previously missing word "not" is underlined to aid the Examiner in locating the error):

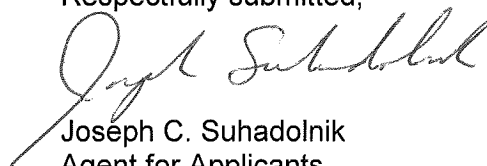
However, Applicants respectfully aver that it is clear that the photo-resist layer of Lin is prepared specifically to be easily removed after the metal is deposited. Applicants respectfully submit that one "confronted by the problems addressed by the inventor", specifically a coating with improved adherence, would not find it obvious to select the elements of an invention specifically directed at the opposite result. Applicants submit that without the benefit of the results of the instant invention there is no suggestion in the art that the combination of Lin with Bauer in the manner described in the Action would succeed in providing improved adherence. Applicants therefore maintain that the improvements of the instant invention would be considered unexpected results even if such a combination was contemplated.

Applicants kindly ask the Examiner to allow the record to be corrected as above. Applicants respectfully submit that the error was obviously unintentional as without the missing word, the sentence would not be consistent with either the following sentence or the overall argument presented.

Applicants' agent apologizes for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

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